NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of rodent excreta, rodent urine, and rodent-gnawed peanuts; and, Section 402 (a) (4), the article had been held under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth. The article was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

Disposition: November 15, 1951. The Robson Grocery Co., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for segregation of the good portion from the bad, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. Salvage operations resulted in the destruction of 450 pounds of peanuts as unfit.

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18292. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U. S. v. 18 Crates * * * (F. D. C. No. 32396. Sample No. 38321-L.)

Liber Filed: January 4, 1952, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about December 11, 1951, by H & H Poultry Co., Inc., from Selbyville, Del.

PRODUCT: 18 crates containing approximately 1,350 pounds of dressed poultry at New York, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of fecal matter and crop matter, and of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of decomposed birds; and, Section 402 (a) (5), it was in whole or in part the product of a diseased animal.

Disposition: February 13, 1952. H & H Poultry Co., Inc., claimant, having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond for salvaging so as to remove the portions of the product which were contaminated with fecal matter, feathers, and other extraneous fifth; to remove those birds which were diseased or which had died otherwise than by slaughter; and to remove such fecal matter, feathers, and other extraneous fifth by scrubbing, under the supervision of the Federal Security Agency. Salvage operations resulted in the release of 384 birds as good, but in the destruction of 105 birds as qualification of the federal security.

18293. Adulteration of dressed poultry. U.S. v. 155 Pounds * * * *. (F.D. C. No. 32502. Sample No. 38328-L.)

LIBEL FILED: February 11, 1952, Southern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: 60 On or about January 22, 1952, by the Vineland Live & Dressed Poultry Co., from Norma, N. J. A. Arabanougur and the hard live

PRODUCT 10:155: pounds of dressed poultry in 2 second-hand crates at New York, N.Y.

LABEL, IN PART: (Tag) "Vineland Live & Dressed Poultry Co., Norma, N. J."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of birds contaminated with fecal matter and crop material; and, Section 402 (a) (5), it was in whole or in part the product of a diseased animal.

Disposition: March 5, 1952. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.